Contraceptive method for birth control

1550. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some new contreceptive methods to make birth control an easier task for women have been identified;

(b) whether these methods are more effective for women and family planning programmes;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) the action taken by Government to give effect to these new methods;

(e) what is the number of cases which have been taken up in the Gujarat for family planning and birth control from 1st January, 1985 to 30th June, 1986; and

(f) what is the amount spent and given to Gujarat during the above period and what incentives have been given for birth control programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) (a) to (d) Several new contraceptive devices like sub-dermal implant—Nonplant, injectible contraceptives like NET-OEN 200 mg medicated IUD's of different types and birth control vaccine are in different phases of clinical trials. Depending on the results of these trials and their efficacy and acceptability under Indian conditions these methods may be introduced in the programme.

(e) 13,23,506 acceptors of family planning were enrolled during the period in question

(f) An amount of Rs. 50,16,58,000 was released to the State Government of Gujarat for implementation of the programme for this period against which an expenditure of Rs 55,55,70,272 was reported by the State Government Acceptors of terminal methods of family planning are being given a compensation of Rs. 100 against wages lost. In addition, as per information available, such acceptors are also entitled to a special incentive of Rs. 100 from State Government funds and five lottery tickets of Re. 1 each. State Government employees accepting terminal methods after one or two living children are entitled to one special increment. Other acceptors of terminal methods having upto two children are being given green cards. Priority in medical treatment in outpatien Depeartment an Indoor admissions over other patients and also free medical facilities to green card holders are proposed to be given. Central Government employees accepting terminal methods of family planning after three or less children are entitled to one special increment, a rebate of half percent in the rate of interest on House Building Advance Acceptors of IUD's are entitled to a compensation of Rs. 9'

Ports in Gujarat

1551. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI. Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Gujarat and various agencies have complained regarding dredging problems and difficulties at major and minor ports of Saurashtra, Kutch and Gujarat;

(b) whether Government and port authorities have any proposals for developing dredging facilities as well as for the development of various ports in Gujarat;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to implement the same;

(d) the amount of money spent during 1st January, 1983 to 30th June, 1986 for dredging and development of various ports in Gujarat; and

(e) the amount likely to be allocated and spent during the period 1st November, 1986 to 31st December, 1987?